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Case No. 10000/227 Client Reference No. PA-5416-CIP

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

David M. Hardin Jr., et al.

Serial No: 10/731,500

December 9, 2003

For: Cytology Collection Device

Examiner: K. Rogers

Group Art Unit: 3736

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Filed:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the Office Action dated October 3, 2006 for a period of two (2) months.

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| Applicant: | | | |
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| Charge the \$450.00 Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached. Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached. | | | |
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